

Substitute for Form 1449 A & B/PTO

Complete if Known

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Application Number	10/662,329
Confirmation Number	9174
Filing Date	September 16, 2003
First Named Inventor	Hisashi HOTTA
Art Unit	1752
Examiner Name	NOT YET ASSIGNED
Attorney Docket Number	Q75433

Sheet	1	of	1
-------	---	----	---

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Document Number		Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document
		Number	Kind Code ² (if known)		
SL		US 6,103,087		8/15/2000	Mori
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			
		US			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document			Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Translation ⁶
		Country Code ³	Number ⁴	Kind Code ⁵ (if known)			
SL		JP	8-300844	A	11/19/1996	KONICA CORP. & MITSUBISHI CHEM. CORP.	Abstract
SL		JP	11-99758	A	4/13/1999	KONICA CORP.	Abstract
SL		JP	11-167207	A	6/22/1999	KONICA CORP.	Yes/ Abstract
SL		JP	11-208138	A	8/3/1999	KONICA CORP.	Yes/ Abstract
SL		JP	10-35133	A	2/10/1998	FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.	Yes/ Abstract

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	Translation ⁶

Examiner Signature	Barbara L. Gilliam	Date Considered	2/3/05
--------------------	--------------------	-----------------	--------

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kind Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov, MPEP 901.04 or in the comment box of this document. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST. 3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to indicate here if English language Translation is attached.